ing ten shillings, to be ascertained and allowed by the justices aforesaid at their C H A P. levy court annually, until the faid prison shall be completed, to be levied on the county, and collected as other public dues.

VII. And be it enacted, That the faid commissioners, or a majority of them, How the moshall be and they are hereby invested with full power and authority to apply the ney is to be faid money, to be levied and collected as aforesaid, either for the purpose of repairing the old gaol in the county aforesaid, or building a new one agreeably to the directions of this act, as they in their judgment shall think proper.

VIII. and be it enacted, That if any of the said commissioners shall die, re- How vacanmove out of the county, or refuse to act, the residue, or a majority of them, cies are to be shall immediately thereafter proceed to nominate and appoint another to fill up the vacancy.

C H A P.

An ACT to empower Micajah Merryman, father and guardian of Passed De-Sarah Merryman, Moses Merryman, Eleanor Merryman, Mary cember 26. Merryman and Micajah Merryman, infants, to demife the real estate therein mentioned.

THEREAS it has been represented to this general affembly, by the pe- Preamble. tition of Micajah Merryman, that he intermarried with a certain Mary Enfor, of Baltimore county, and that he is possessed of the following parts of lots of ground and premises, viz. Part of lot No. fixty, part of lot No. five, part of lot No. fix, and also part of lot No. fifty-five, as tenant for life by the curtefy, which faid lots descended to Sarah Merryman, Moses Merryman, Eleanor Merryman, Mary Merryman and Micajah Merryman, the children of the aforesaid Mary and him the said Micajah, and that the said parts of lots and premises are in the unimproved part of Baltimore-town, and that the same are incumbered with taxes and public dues, and that the commissioners of the town are about to pave the streets on which said lots stand, which would require a large sum of money; and the said Micajah, as guardian of the aforesaid children, would have to pay the fame, and praying that an act might pass, empowering him, the said Micajah, to demise and lease out the aforesaid parts of lots and premises; and it appearing reasonable to grant the same, therefore,

II. Be it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That it shall and may M. Merrybe lawful to and for the faid Micajah Merryman to lease and demise such man may lease parts of the aforesaid lots as he shall think proper to such person or person of parts of the aforesaid lots as he shall think proper to such person or person of the pe parts of the aforesaid lots as he shall think proper, to such person or persons, for fuch term or terms of years, with fuch covenants, clauses and provisoes inserted, for the renewment of fuch leafes from time to time, for ever, if the same shall be agreed upon, with such other covenants, clauses and provisoes, as are usual and customary in leases made of lots in the unimproved parts of Baltimore-town; which faid leases shall be made in the name of the said Micajah Merryman, and his children aforesaid, and the rents agreed on to be reserved and payable to the faid Micajah Merryman, his executors, administrators and affigns, for the use and benefit of the aforesaid Sarah Merryman, Moses Merryman, Eleanor Merryman, Mary Merryman and Micajah Merryman, and after they shall severally arrive at the age of twenty-one years, their respective proportions of the rents so reserved shall be payable to them respectively, their respective heirs and assigns, for ever, and the term limitted to such lessees shall be as good and valid, to all intents and purposes, as if they, the said Sarah Merryman, Moses Merryman, Eleanor Merryman, Mary Merryman and Micajah Merryman, had been of full age to execute the same; provided, that the said leases shall not burthen the said Sarah Merryman, Moses Merryman, Eleanor Merryman, Mary Merryman and Micajah Merryman, with any covenants or affurances for quiet enjoyment of the premises, other than from and against themselves, and all persons claiming by, from or under them.